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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

One More Aspirant—

Howell Jones, a well known citizen of the John Day country went on record yesterday as an aspirant for the county commissionership.

Took a Flyer—

Sheriff M. E. Pomeroy took a flyer up Clifton way yesterday in behalf of the jury service of the county and the Circuit Court, which is nearing its regular February convention.

Trains Late—

Both trains from Portland were late yesterday. The noon train was an hour late owing to a broken axle on the tender, and the evening train was 50 minutes behind arriving time.

Up On a Visit—

Captain Stuart, of the Cape Disappointment lifesaving station, was up from Ft. Canby yesterday on a casual visit to his many friends in Astoria and will return to the post this morning.

May Double The Shift—

There was an agreeable rumor on the streets yesterday afternoon late that the Tongue Point mill people may double the shift at that great plant if carriers enough can be secured to take away the projected cut that will be made to meet the orders.

One More Step—

Kaarl Fredrik Koskela and Johan Gustaf Laukkula, both natives of Finland, yesterday filed their applications for final papers in American citizenship, and qualified in this behalf for their appearance at the June term of the Honorable circuit court, when the boon will probably be handed down to them.

Improvement The Rule—

Fire Chief Foster, assisted by Driver Gene Bussing, will inaugurate a series of minor repairs at the house of Chemical No. 1, on Bond street today, the lumber being delivered there yesterday. The stalls will be newly sheathed and a number of things done to the house to make it more habitable and convenient. "Tiny" Arrigoni is still confined to his home with the grippe.

Lining Up For Primaries—

There have been just 1162 voters in Clatsop county line up for the April primaries, at the close of business yesterday; a figure which County Clerk Clinton avers has not been attained at such a date since the primary law went into effect. The registration to date in city and county figures as follows: In the seven municipal precincts, 826; and in the 21 county precincts, 336, with Clifton No. 1, and Westport, still to be heard from in this behalf.

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Overseeing The Work—

H. M. Delanty, of the new firm of Rothchild & Company, stevedores, of Portland, was in the city yesterday, overseeing the work of loading the steamer Cambrian King, at the Tongue Point Mill docks; and reports the jobs going through in excellent shape.

Buys a Fruit Ranch—

Victor E. Beno has purchased a 200 acre fruit ranch in Jackson county and will move his family in the near future. There are 150 acres cleared and about 600 bearing fruit trees and Mr. Beno has contracted for the planting of 1300 more this spring. The purchase price was \$8000.

Out For His Company—

The assistant manager of the United Wireless Company at Seattle, H. M. Reynolds, spent the day in Astoria, looking into the new plant of the company here, and expresses himself well pleased with the work and thinks it will be in the commercial business radius in the next few days.

Pilot Commission Meets—

The State Pilot Commission met in regular session in this city yesterday for the month of February, with Commissioners Sylvester Farrell, A. V. Pendleton and F. J. Taylor in attendance and Secretary A. C. Ross in charge of the records. The bar branches of the following captains were renewed, to wit: M. D. Staples, Michael Nolan, J. H. Harriman, Renet Swanson and A. E. Cann. The insurance carried on the pilot schooner San Jose was also extended at the usual figure of \$1000.

Police Court—

The two boys who were charged with disorderly conduct Monday and had their case continued until yesterday were on hand promptly at 3 o'clock. The complainant, Mrs. Sidney Moore, was present, accompanied by three of her sons, who testified against the two boys. There was really nothing to the case. If Astoria had more public play grounds and parks, children would not have to play in the streets. Judge Anderson gave the two boys some wholesome advice and let them go. One drunk failed to appear and his bail of \$5.00 was declared forfeited.

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Day of Happiness—

County Clerk J. C. Clinton yesterday issued a marriage license in behalf of Mr. Johan Sefren Johnson and Miss Rose O. West, both of West's Station, the bride being a daughter of Hon. and Mrs. Josiah West, one of Clatsop's foremost citizens, and the groom being a well known young citizen of Seaside. A little later in the day the happy young people were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the rectory of the Episcopal Church, Rev. W. Seymour Short officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson returned at once to their Seaside home, where they will be at home to their friends.

Prominently Tillamookian—

H. V. Alley, one of the county and an active and prominent citizen of that section, was in the city yesterday, the guest of Judge C. J. Trenchard, with whom Mr. Alley came to confer in regard to the early settlement of the proposition to connect up the two counties by means of a good open highway clear through both. He and all his constituents are eager for the opening and believe it will be of immediate and distinct benefit to both counties. Mr. Alley is on his way to Portland where he hopes to close negotiations for the purchase of a rock-crusher for Tillamook and will ship the machine back before he leaves if all goes to his liking. He is evidently one of the live men over in his bailiwick and he has a cheerful word for his neighbors up this way as well as for the home county.

Meteor Falling—

About 10 o'clock last evening a meteor was seen which was extremely bright. It was traveling from west to east and was visible about three minutes.

PERSONAL MENTION

R. H. and H. A. Espey, of Oyster-ville, Wash., are at the Occident.

W. T. Zwick, of Seattle, transacted business in this city yesterday.

Dan J. McGill, of the United States Internal Revenue Service, with headquarters at Portland, is in the city.

H. B. Donahue, of Portland, is in the city.

J. H. Walker, of the Oregon City Pulp Mills, is at the Occident.

C. L. Masterson, a Deep River logger, is in the city looking for men to open up his camp.

Lieutenant Cullen, of Fort Stevens, was in the city yesterday.

Martin Foard left for Bucoda, yesterday morning where he goes to look after the affairs of the Mutual Lumber Co. The mill at the present time is shut down but will start up March 1st.

Oily A. N. Smith, representing Fuller & Co., of Portland, is in the city.

W. S. Henninger, cashier of the Bank of Seaside, was in the city yesterday, returning from a Portland trip.

DONE BY DEEDS

Warrenton Land Co. to Sut-cliff & Blied, lot 19, block 11, Harriman.....\$150

Flatiron Building Grocery Co. to Sutcliff & Blied, lots 20-21, block 11, Harriman..... 250

Bertha V. Haley et. ux. to Mary E. Chambers, S. 1-2 lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, block 19, Campbell's addition to Seaside..... 100

G. W. Roberts and wife to H. B. Volheim, lot 5, block 16, Warrenton addition, Astoria..... 125

L. Lebeck and wife to W. E. Tallant, lots 1, 2, 3, block 1, Trullinger's Astoria..... 5

W. E. Tallant to Clara W. Tallant, 1-2 interest in lots 1, 2, 3, block 1, Trullinger's Astoria..... 5

A. G. Sandstrum and wife to W. Wantinen, 40 acres section 29, 7-8 W..... 400

United States to I. Severson, lots 12, 13, 20, sec. 4, and lot 17, sec. 4, 4-8 W..... —

Nels J. Rasmussen and wife to C. A. Jurum, land in sec. 9, 7-9 W. 10

Special Meeting Notice.

A special meeting of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union will be held at their hall on Astor street, Thursday, February 13th, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Business of greatest importance to our salmon industry will come up. (Legislation.) All members in good standing are required to be present and have book or receipt along. H. M. LORNTSEN, secretary. 2-12-2t.

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When a man passes under the hands of a barber he wants the best skilled treatment to be had in that line. In Astoria, the man in search of such manipulation, goes direct to Petersen's "Modern" shop, at 572 Commercial, and gets it in, any of the six chairs maintained.

FISH HATCHERIES AT BONNEVILLE

THE O. R. & N. COMPANY HAS LEASED LAND AT BONNEVILLE TO THE STATE FOR A FISH HATCHERY.

Master Fish Warden H. G. Van Dusen has succeeded in leasing a tract of land at Bonneville for a fish hatchery.

The negotiations have been pending sometime. There was some opposition to the site because the operators of fishwheels were not sure but that a hatchery in their vicinity would be a detriment to their business.

This was obviated however by the clause which was inserted into the lease that the State will in no way interfere with the enjoyment of all fishing rights in the vicinity of the proposed hatchery. The clause reads:

"The state hereby agrees that the location of the salmon fish hatchery and feeding station on the premises herein described, and the use of said premises for such purposes shall in no way interfere with the fishing rights or privilege now exercised by the Navigation Company or its grantees or licensees during the life of this lease, its extensions and renewals."

This clause was satisfactory to the State (represented by the Master Fish Warden) and the O. R. & N. Company and after the state had made its survey and submitted it to the company the lease was signed.

The land is the north half of the northwest quarter of section 28.

CHRISTIAN PSYCHOLOGY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—What, it is stated, will be New York's first experiment with "Christian Psychology" will be tried at Christ Episcopal Church on Upper Broadway during the third week in Lent, beginning March 23. Rev. Dr. Edward Worcester and his first assistant, Rev. Samuel MacComb of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Boston, have been given permission by the rector of Christ Church to come here for a trial of their methods in dealing with functional nervous disorders, which they attempt by the methods of revealed religion following an accurate diagnosis of the case as can be obtained from specialists in neuralgia.

Patients sent by physicians are accepted and the Boston clergymen perform their services without charge. Speaking of the plan yesterday the rector of Christ Church, Rev. George Alexander Strong, said:

"We are not committing Christ Church to this idea nor are we repudiating it. I have long known Dr. Worcester and have seen the work he is doing in Boston. I am open to the conviction that there is in man, there is in God, some attribute we have not yet made use of. Perhaps this is it."

TAFT CLUB ORGANIZED.

SPOKANE, Feb. 11.—The "Spokane County Taft Club" was organized amid much enthusiasm. Plans were started for a great Taft meeting to be held later.

The Palace Restaurant.

The ever-increasing popularity of the Palace Restaurant is evidence of the good management, and the service, at this popular dining room. For a long time the reputation of the house has been of the best and it does not wane as time progresses. The system used, that of furnishing the finest market affords, and all can be obtained, in season, is a plan that will always win, coupled as it is with the best of cooking and prompt service. A common saying nowadays is "Get the Palace habit."

"SCOURING THE LAND."

I have just been examining an old book containing the accounts of the charity estate of West Haddon, embracing the years 1773-1850. Under date Aug. 17, 1776, is the following entry:

"Paid Richard Worster seven days' work, cutting thorns and scouring and stoping of gaps, 10s. 6d."

The term "scouring the ditch" is used on Jan. 8, 1781, and appears many times after this date, the last instance being on April 28, 1820.—London Notes and Queries.

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Moorea Island, the Happiest and Fairest Spot on Earth.

Hugo Parton, writing in the Outlook Magazine, says that the happiest and most beautiful spot on earth today is the island of Moorea, one of the Society Islands, in the south seas. As a contrast to strenuous American methods this description sounds alluring:

"Whenever you are thirsty a word will send a little brown body scrambling up a tall palm tree trunk, and in two minutes a green cocconut is ready for you to quaff—the nectar of the Polynesian gods. It is worth the trip down here to eat the native 'vittals,' for you get at every meal things you never tasted before, and each seems better than its predecessor; to see your dinner of fresh water shrimps, sharks' fins and roasted sea urchins. The bananas you eat—there are eleven varieties—baked, raw, fried, dried—grow a few rods back in the valley; ditto the breadfruit, the pineapples and about everything else on the board. It's nice to have your morning coffee grown in the back yard. Guavas grow in such profusion they are used as pig food. Grated cocconut is fed to hens, while fensider plant is considered excellent fodder for cattle.

"For perfection of the human body the Tahitian is unexcelled, if, indeed, he is anywhere equaled. They are a large race, both men and women being noticeably taller and more fully developed than Anglo-Saxons. I doubt if any Society Islander ever went through a whole day in his life without having a wreath of flowers on his head or a blossom behind his ear. The love of flowers is innate with man, woman and child. They can't pass through a patch of woods without emerging with a garland. Every gay mood calls for flowers on their hats, in their hair, behind their ears, and their life is an almost unbroken sequence of gay moods. Scarcely a native on the island of Moorea can speak a sentence of English, but every one you meet greets you with a courteous smile and the welcoming word 'Ia-ora-na' (Yorana)."

Poetry Defined.

George P. Morris, the author of "Woodman, Spare That Tree," was a general of the New York militia and a favorite with all who knew him. Mrs. Sherwood in her reminiscences tells how another poet associated the general with a definition of poetry.

Once Fitz-Greene Halleck, the author of "Marco Bozzaris," called upon her in New York in his old age, and she asked him to define for her what was poetry and what was prose.

He replied: "When General Morris commands his brigade and says, 'Soldiers, draw your swords!' he talks prose. When he says 'Soldiers, draw your willing swords!' he talks poetry."

WINTERING SHEEP.

It is not cold weather that hurts sheep so much as it is getting wet. Sheep to fatten well should be fed regularly twice a day, morning and evening. Sheep naturally drink a little and often, and should have water convenient to them all the time. Don't feed well and give good shelter, then allow your sheep to drink ice water to cool off.

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